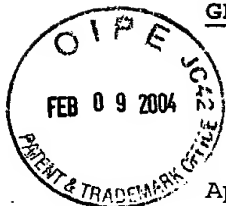


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This Amendment is submitted in response to a December 18, 2003 Final Office Action issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified application. A response to the December 18, 2003 Final Office Action is due March 18, 2004. Accordingly, this response is being timely filed.

Please amend the subject application as follows:

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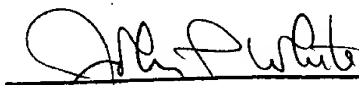
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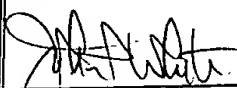
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